Dedham half past 12. o'clock.

My Dear Friend:

After I was on my way home I thought it would be expedient for me to write out from recollection refreshed by a glance at your notes such parts of my Speech at F. H. as I thought most important to have correct — should it be thought worth while to publish it. As to this I am in no wise strenuous — as I have no desire for the odium which it will necessarily bring upon me — though I would in no wise shrink from it — but have no objection that the cup should pass away. If any report is given it had better be a correct one — particularly if Leavitt have a report of it. I leave it in your hands to do with it as you think best. I wished to write out the part about Judge S. because though I have a tolerably good opinion of your skill in such matters, I did not think you could put in the licks in a professional way quite as well as I who know something of the tender places. The part about Scroggs & Jeffries particularly I wanted just right. Though it was not understood by the audience generally & perhaps will not be by most readers, yet lawyers will appreciate it, if it have any merit. I do not suppose, indeed I know that I have not got it as I delivered it. But I had made no preparation, to be called such, except while walking in from Quincy — & when walking down to the Hall from Chauncy Place.

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And to tell you the honest truth — though with all deference to the opinions of brother Davis & father Rogers — I think it is pretty good. Should it appear I depend on you to see the proofs & deliver me from any very in-tolerable typographical absurdities — particularly in the good points! Stick in anything I may have omitted anywhere you please. "I'm all submission what you'll have it make it."

I gave my testimony faithfully to Francis Jackson this morning, as I trust Wendell will testify. But I fear that if he be saved from a repetition of the blunder — it will be by means of a guardian committee or angel I fear & not by his own grace. I also ~~have~~ gave the same testimony to Johnson & Quincy as trustees for the benefit of Garrison. I warned them never to let a New Englander pull them out of the river — because they might be sure it was only done for the purpose of having them to strangle. The more I think of the matter the more outrageous the whole proceeding seems to me. I ought not to have taken part in it & I should have told them so at F. J.'s yesterday afternoon. And so I told Jackson & Johnson. I wish the mob had put me down — for I deserved it for being in such company. As it was I never felt in such good humor with a mob present or absent as I did last night. I think I rather enjoyed it when I saw that it was Leavitt that had caused it.

"I could have huffed the greasy rogues:
They pleased me!"

But I shall know how to behave next time. Perhaps my resignation might have been a little of the nature of the young converts who could not quite come up to the test of being perfectly willing to be damned himself if it were the will of God — but was quite resigned to his ghostly fathers being damned, or any body else.

Did you know that the note was read at Hubbard Winslows Church! whether by himself or not I cannot say. Dr Lowell read it with much emphasis & prayed most fervently. Henry Parker told me nobody could have done the thing better.

Farewell, love to all.

Affectionately Yours

E. Q.

It may very possibly be thought unwise to publish just now what will be considered as an obnoxious attack on Dwor-d.. — if so I yield to the opinions of the nds.

y modesty forbade me to put in the "cheers" "long ontinued applause" "loud applause" nor even the ssings - if it needs such garniture please put it in

Maria W. Chapman.

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